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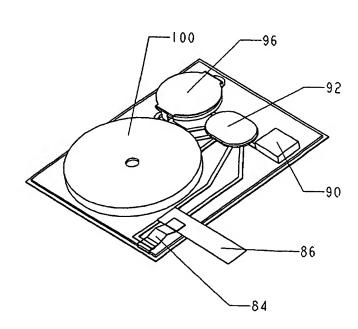
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(57) Abstract: A warning device for attachment to packaging of a product (12) which has an expiration date, the device including timer means (28) for counting passage of a pre-set period of time, according to a timing program tailored to the product, to the expiration date, and for providing a signal at the expiration date; an indicator (20) arranged to receive the signal and to provide an indication to differentiate a pre-expiration date period from a post-expiration date period; and a switch coupled to the packaging and arranged to activate the indicator when a person attempts to use the product.